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BY ECF

The Honorable Andrew L. Carter, Jr. United States District Judge Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse 40 Foley Square, Room 2203 New York, NY 10007

Re: Knight First Amendment Institute v. U.S. Dep't of Homeland Security et al.,

No. 17 Civ. 7572 (ALC)

Dear Judge Carter:

I write respectfully pursuant to Local Rule 1.4 for the Court's leave to withdraw as counsel for the Defendants in the above-referenced matter. The reason for this request is that I am leaving the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York. The Government will continue to be represented by other counsel from the U.S. Attorney's Office of the Southern District of New York who has appeared in this matter. My withdrawal as an attorney of record will not affect any deadlines or cause any delay in this matter. Accordingly, I respectfully request that the Court grant my request to withdraw as counsel of record.

I thank the Court for considering this matter.

Respectfully,

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